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In re Application of:

Pai-Hung Pan

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For: TECHNIQUE FOR FORMING SHALLOW TRENCH ISOLATION STRUCTURE WITHOUT CORNER EXPOSURE AND RESULTING STRUCTURE

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed on March 30, 2001, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expires on June 30, 2001. As June 30, 2001, falls on a Saturday, this Amendment is timely if mailed by Monday, July 2, 2001. 37 C.F.R. § 1.7.

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